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# Warriors Top Herndon In Major Surprise

Wakefield High School bounced back after dropping six straight ball games to wallop the Group II leaders on the home court last night as the Warriors turned back Herndon 47-40.

Herndon jumped to an early lead and built up what appeared to be an impossible 26-14 half-time advantage before the Warriors turned on the power to pile up 20 points in the third quarter.

Wakefield led by a scant 36-35

margin as the contest went into the fourth quarter and after the lead exchanged hands a few times the Warriors forged ahead to stay.

Henry Mayo and Warren Watson turned in outstanding performances against two of the biggest players on the floor. Mayo flipped in 9 tallies, despite the efforts of Herndon's Roy Fox, while Watson slapped in 10 under the nose of 6' 5" John Slepetz. Fox paced the Hornets' attack with 14 markers while Slepetz came through with 8.

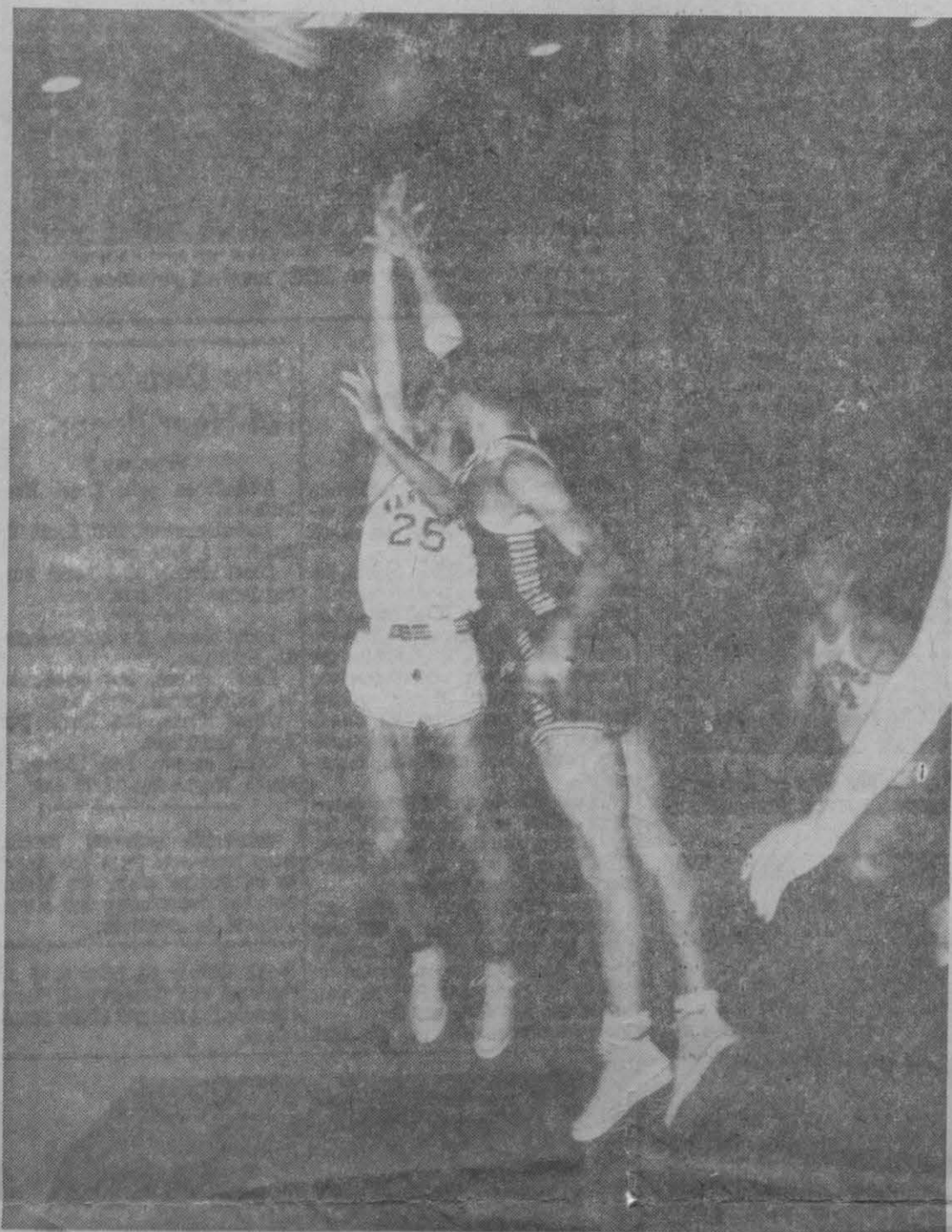
Don Richards led the Warriors assault with 14 buckets and Watson dropped in 10 for Wakefield.

NOTES: Coach Robbie Robinson employed a man-to-man defense in gaining last night's big win. His comments were brief but cheerful: "I'm happy." Robinson has always liked his lads' habit of fighting hard even when winning looks impossible. Last night it payed off. A less spirited group of boys could have been counted out after the first half. Henry Mayo had his fifth (and fatal) foul called on him late in the fracas. Henry had another good reason for leaving the contest even if the rule book didn't require it. Wakefield's persistent

Wakefield					Herndon				
G	F	PF	P		G	F	PF	P	
Richards	5	4	3	14	Scott	3	2	1	8
Holdness	3	0	1	6	Fox	4	6	1	14
Varden	2	2	4	6	Slepetz	4	2	2	10
Regan	1	0	1	2	Hanes	2	2	3	6
Head	0	0	1	0	Downs	1	0	2	2
Watson	5	0	3	10					
Mayo	3	3	5	9					
Totals	19	9	18	47	Totals	14	12	9	40
	5	11	20	11-47		10	14	11	5-10

rebound boy received a gash in his head in the same action that brought on the foul whistle. Reports have it that no stitches were necessary and he will probably be ready for the trip to Richard Montgomery next Friday night.

Wakefield is hoping to start another winning streak against the Rockville, Maryland boys Friday. The Warriors have an excellent chance of making it two in a row.



**TOO BAD, WARREN**—Warren Watson (25) of Wakefield High School, thought he had a basket but the ball careened about the rim crazily before bouncing off into the arms of the unidentified Herndon player. Wakefield's Steve Holderness (14) is in the background. Wakefield won the game 47-40.

(Photo by Steve Moore)